

Superior Court of the District of Columbia

CRIMINAL DIVISION

AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF AN ARREST WARRANT

USW NO.:

DEFENDANT'S NAME: Jamaal Anthony Bowman	DOB: 04/01/76	PDID: N/A	FBI NUMBER: N/A	CCN: 23162396
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NICKNAME: Unknown	ALIASES: Unknown
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SEX: M	RACE: Black	HEIGHT: 5'10"	WEIGHT: 240	EYES: Brown	HAIR: Bald	COMPL: Med	SCARS, MARKS, TATTOOS: Unknown
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DEFENDANT'S HOME AND/OR BUSINESS ADDRESS: 25 Independence Ave. SE, Room 345, Washington, DC 20515	TELEPHONE NUMBER:
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COMPLAINANT'S NAME: Society

LOCATION OF OFFENSE(S):
25 Independence Ave. SE, Washington, DC 20515

DATE(S) OF OFFENSE(S): 09/30/2023	TIME(S) OF OFFENSE(S): 1204 Hours
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CAUTION AND MEDICAL CONDITIONS (CMC) Select a valid CMC code below for wanted person when using the caution indicator:				
00 = Armed and Dangerous	15 = Explosive Expertise	30 = Sexually Violent Predator	60 = Allergies	80 = Medication Required
05 = Violent Tendencies	20 = Known to Abuse Drugs	50 = Heart Condition	65 = Epilepsy	85 = Hemophilia
10 = Martial Arts Expert	25 = Escape Risk	55 = Alcoholic	70 = Suicidal	90 = Diabetic

GIVE BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF WHAT HAPPENED:

The following statements are for the sole purpose of establishing probable cause to support an Affidavit in Support of an Arrest Warrant and do not represent the totality of the facts and circumstances known to the affiant. Your affiant, Supervisory Special Agent Joseph McAtee #6077, of the United States Capitol Police, Threat Assessment Section, has investigated the following:

On September 30, 2023, at approximately 1200 hours, the members of the United States House of Representatives were called to a vote inside the United States Capitol Building. At approximately 1205 hours, The United States Capitol Police ("USCP") were notified that the fire alarm pull station had been activated inside the Cannon House Office Building's second floor, Rotunda, located at 25 Independence Ave SE, Washington DC. The fire alarm pull station is adjacent to an exit door facing Independence Ave SE.

The Cannon House Office building was subsequently evacuated, and a command post was established. The USCP Watch Commander's Office observed security camera footage that resulted in a radio run for a lookout for a black male, bald, in a dark suit, dark tie, with a pin on their lapel. Subsequent call outs were relayed by USCP Communications that the subject of the lookout may have exited the Northwest Door of the Cannon House Office Building. A photo of the defendant was distributed to all uniformed USCP Officers to stop and identify.

Your affiant was contacted by W-2 to respond to the United States Capitol, Room H-125 to interview the defendant. This affiant was informed by W-4 who stated W-1 had recognized the defendant and contacted him resulting in the defendant responding to Room H-125. Your affiant arrived at this location and conducted a non-custodial interview beginning at approximately 1313 hours. In attendance was W-1 & W-3.

Your affiant advised the defendant of his position and agency of employment and asked the defendant if he knew anything about the fire alarm to which the defendant stated "yes." When inquired as to what happened, the defendant stated that he was in the Cannon House Office Building, at the second-floor door attempting to exit to Independence Ave. Your affiant inquired if the defendant had an office in the building and he stated he did, room

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345. Your affiant requested that the defendant explain what he saw and what happened at the door. The defendant advised that the doors stated, "emergency exit only push to open," he pushed on the door and pulled the lever next to it, which must have been the alarm. The defendant stated the door still did not open and he went to the first floor to exit. Your affiant asked the defendant if he heard alarm sounds or saw strobes and he stated "yes." The defendant was asked if he told anyone about this and the defendant stated he did not tell anyone, and that he was hurried because votes were called, and he did not want to miss the votes to keep the government funded. The defendant advised that usually when votes are called, all doors are open, and that door is usually open (the second-floor door leading to Independence Ave). The defendant further stated that this door was a usual door he uses. The defendant advised that he then went to a Dem (Democratic) meeting and a vote at the Capitol, then the House Sergeant at Arms contacted him. Your affiant asked the defendant if he intended to cause a fire alarm, to which he stated "no." The defendant was asked if he intended to cause a security concern, to which he stated "no." The defendant was asked if he intended to disrupt or obstruct a Congressional proceeding of federal administrative procedure, to which he stated "no." After receipt of the personal address of the defendant, the defendant stated that he was advised to not say anything else and obtain a lawyer. Your affiant ended the interview at approximately 1322 hours.

On September 30 at 1354 hours, your affiant responded to the exit door that was reported to have been pushed and the fire alarm box pulled on the second floor, Rotunda, in the Cannon House Office Building, 25 Independence Ave., SE, Washington DC, to observe the area. Your affiant observed that at that time, there were three posted signs, one standing from the floor prior to the doors and two posted atop the push bars of the two doors. Your affiant took three photos of that area with the issued department cell phone.

The first sign stands from the floor and is red with white printed lettering that states, "Emergency Exit Only." The second two signs, posted atop each of the exit doors' push bars (located in the middle of the door) are red with white printed lettering that states, "Emergency Exit Only Push Until Alarm Sounds (3 seconds) Door Will Unlock in 30 Seconds." The red fire pull alarm located on the wall to the left of the doors, painted red with printed white lettering, states, "FIRE Push in Pull Down," and has a white logo of "Notifier by Honeywell."

Further investigation by your affiant, through a review of security camera footage, revealed that on Saturday, September 30, 2023, at 1204 hours, the defendant approached the exit door to 25 Independence Ave., SE. He proceeded to push the right-side exit door's push bar while grabbing the sign on it. When the right-side door did not open, the defendant then pushed the left-side door push bar, but that door did not open either. The defendant then turned to his left, looked at the emergency fire alarm pull station, and upon seeing it, he reached out and pulled the fire alarm down. Immediately afterwards, the defendant turned to his left, away from the exit doors. The defendant walked away from those doors without looking back at them or trying to push them open.

Your affiant reviewed security camera footage from the Rotunda of the Cannon Office building. This footage shows three exit doors to Independence Avenue, SE. At approximately 12:04-12:05 hours, the defendant can be seen walking through the Rotunda. The security footage shows flashing strobe lights and people in the balcony area covering their ears with their hands, appearing to be reacting to a loud noise. When the defendant enters the Rotunda, he goes to the first exit door to Independence Ave., SE, and appears to push the push bar. When the door does not open, he then walks past one exit door to another door which exits to Independence Ave., SE,

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appears to push on the handle, and when that door does not open, he jogs back across the Rotunda from the area where he first entered.

Security camera footage from Stairwell No. 3 of the Cannon Office Building then shows the defendant jogging down the staircase from the second floor to the first floor where he exits a door at the bottom of the stairs. Other security camera footage then shows the defendant walking at a normal pace out of the New Jersey Ave., SE door exit of the Cannon House Office Building, where other people were also exiting. At approximately 1206 hours, he passes three uniformed USCP officers without stopping or saying anything to them. The defendant turns right onto New Jersey Ave., SE, continues to walk for approximately 15 feet, then he begins to jog again. Security camera footage shows the defendant continuing to jog along New Jersey Ave., SE, towards the United States Capitol. After crossing Independence Ave., SE, he jogs past two more USCP officers at a kiosk at the South Barricade, then he begins to walk again before crossing Southeast Drive SE.

At approximately 1208 hours, the defendant enters the United States Capitol Building and, while showing his credentials, he walks past two USCP officers who are posted at the inside entrance, staffing the metal detector. He presses the elevator button and waits approximately 10 seconds for the elevator door to open. During the 10 seconds that the defendant was waiting for the elevator, he is standing within feet of one of the United States Capitol Police Officers and does not appear to say anything to the officer. He then enters the elevator.

Due to the defendant's actions, the Cannon House Office Building was evacuated for approximately 1 ½ hours. When the defendant pulled the emergency fire alarm in the Cannon House Office Building, located at 25 Independence Avenue, SE in the District of Columbia at approximately 12:04 pm on September 30, 2023, there was no fire at that location. Therefore, based upon the evidence, this affiant has probable cause to believe that the defendant willfully or knowingly gave a false fire alarm within the District of Columbia, in violation of D.C. Code § 22-1319(a).

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<p>PLEASE ISSUE A WARRANT FOR:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Jamaal Anthony Bowman</p>	<p>AFFIANT'S SIGNATURE:</p> <p style="font-size: 1.2em; font-weight: bold;">McAtee, Joseph P.</p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em;">Digitally signed by McAtee, Joseph P. Date: 2023.10.17 00:05:26 -04'00'</p> <hr/> <p>Affiant's Name: Joseph McAtee Badge Number: 6077</p>
<p>CHARGED WITH: False Fire Alarm D.C. Code 22-1319(a)</p>	<p>SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 20__.</p>
<p>PROSECUTOR'S SIGNATURE:</p> <p><i>Peter Saba</i></p> <hr/> <p>Peter Saba, Chief (print title/name) Criminal Section, Office of the Attorney General for D.C.</p>	<p>JUDGE'S SIGNATURE:</p> <hr/> <p>JUDGE _____ (print last name) SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA</p>

Judicial Summons

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